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# H. R. 3441

To amend title 49, United States Code, to realign the policy responsibility in the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2001

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself and Mr. OBERSTAR) (both by request): introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure discharged; considered under suspension of the rules and passed

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. REALIGNMENT OF POLICY RESPONSIBILITY IN**

4                       **THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

5       (a) Section 102 of title 49, United States Code, is  
6       amended—

1           (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
2           section (g);

3           (2) by inserting a new subsection (d) as follows:

4           “(d) The Department has an Under Secretary of  
5           Transportation for Policy appointed by the President, by  
6           and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Under  
7           Secretary shall provide leadership in the development of  
8           policy for the Department, supervise the policy activities  
9           of Assistant Secretaries with primary responsibility for  
10          aviation, international, and other transportation policy de-  
11          velopment and carry out other powers and duties pre-  
12          scribed by the Secretary. The Under Secretary acts for  
13          the Secretary when the Secretary and the Deputy Sec-  
14          retary are absent or unable to serve, or when the offices  
15          of Secretary and Deputy Secretary are vacant.”; and

16          (3) in subsection (e) by striking “Secretary and  
17          the Deputy Secretary” each place it appears in the  
18          last sentence and inserting “Secretary, Deputy Sec-  
19          retary, and Under Secretary of Transportation for  
20          Policy”.

21          (b) Section 102 of title 49, United States Code, is  
22          further amended by striking subsection (g), as redesign-  
23          ated by subsection (a)(1), on the date that an individual  
24          is appointed to the position of Under Secretary of Trans-

1 portation for Policy under section 102(d), as added by  
2 subsection (a)(2).

3 **SEC. 2. ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS.**

4 Section 102(e) of title 49, United States Code, is  
5 amended by striking “4 Assistant Secretaries” and insert-  
6 ing “5 Assistant Secretaries”.

7 **SEC. 3. POSITIONS IN EXECUTIVE SERVICE.**

8 (a) Section 5314 of title 5, United States Code, is  
9 amended by inserting before

10 “Administrator of the National Highway Traf-  
11 fic Safety Administration.”

12 the following:

13 “Under Secretary of Transportation for Pol-  
14 icy.”.

15 (b) Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, is  
16 amended by striking

17 “Assistant Secretaries of Transportation (4).”

18 and inserting the following:

19 “Assistant Secretaries of Transportation (5).”.

20 (c) Effective on the date that an individual is ap-  
21 pointed to the position of Under Secretary of Transpor-  
22 tation for Policy under section 102(d) of title 49, United  
23 States Code, as added by section 1(a)(2) of this Act, sec-  
24 tion 5316 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by

1 striking “Associate Deputy Secretary, Department of  
2 Transportation.”.

